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EXXONMOBIL RELEASES STATEMENT ON JACKSONVILLE, MARYLAND GASOLINE LEAK
TRIAL VERDICT

FAIRFAX, VA, March 12 -- ExxonMobil today released the following statement in response to the verdict in the 2006 Alban v. Exxon Mobil Corporation case:

"ExxonMobil sincerely regrets the gasoline leak at the Jacksonville, Maryland service station in 2006. We apologize to the Jacksonville community and take responsibility for this unfortunate accident.

As soon as the leak was discovered, we took immediate action and spared no expense. To date, ExxonMobil has spent more than \$38 million for cleanup activities under the Maryland Department of Environment's oversight and direction.

We are pleased the jury considered the facts in this case and agreed that this was an unfortunate accident, not a fraudulent or intentional act. We believe, however, we should only compensate those who were directly impacted by the accident, and the compensatory damages should not be so high as to essentially be punitive instead of truly compensating for actual harm caused by the spill. We find the amount awarded inconsistent with the verdict in which the jury rejected the punitive damages claims. ExxonMobil will review our legal options, and we will be making a decision on how best to move forward.

ExxonMobil takes its environmental responsibility very seriously and will continue to remediate the Jacksonville site under the MDE's oversight."

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